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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF HELICOPTERS BY BDG

ACCORDING TO BOB RAMSEY, WASHINGTON-BASED REPRESENTATIVE FOR BELL HELICOPTER, BELL EXPECTS THAT THE BANGLADESH GOVERNMENT WILL SIGN A CONTRACT WITHIN A WEEK TO PURCHASE SIX BELL 212 HELICOPTERS. SALE OF THE TWIN ENGINE MACHINE WHICH HAS A LIFT CAPABILITY OF ABOUT 5,000 LBS. (OR 13 CREW AND PASSENGERS) WOULD BE THROUGH BELL'S SINGAPORE REPRESENTATIVE, HELI-ORIENT. HELI-ORIENT REP IN LONDON IS CURRENTLY WORKING OUT ARRANGEMENTS WITH UNIDENTIFIED BDG OFFICIALS. ACCORDING TO RAMSEY, BANGLADESHIS CLAIM THAT FINANCING HAS BEEN ARRANGED THROUGH NATIONAL AND GRIND-LYS BANK. THE AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING A STARTER KIT OF SPARE PARTS, COST ABOUT ONE MILLION DOLLARS APIECE. TRAINING FOR CREW AND MECHANICS, WHICH BELL INCLUDES AS PART OF PACKAGE ON BASIS OF ONE PILOT AND ONE MECHANIC PER MACHINE, COULD BE DONE IN EITHER SINGAPORE OR U.S. RAMSEY HAS
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PROMISED TO FURNISH FURTHER DETAILS AS AND IF THEY BECOME

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FYI - TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, BELL HAS NOT YET APPLIED FOR AN
EXPORT LICENSE BUT WE SEE NO DIFFICULTIES IN GRANTING ONE.

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